

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE GUANAJUATO AREA, GUANAJUATO, MEXICO

LOCATION: Guanajuato, the capital of the state of the same name, is located both in the central part of that state, and pretty much in the center of Mexico. The city is situated in and on the slopes of a narrow ravine, once the bed of the Rio Guanajuato (now diverted) and also the site of some of the richest silver mines in the world. The wealth of those mines created many of the beautiful mansions and public buildings that still grace the city. The city played a major role in the independence movement of the country. It is also the seat of the University of Guanajuato. Elevations are between 6,500 and 7,000 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:01	11:27	12:01	12:38	13:08	13:24	13:17	12:52	12:17	11:41	11:10	10:53
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	7:32	8:23	8:51	8:46	8:14	7:06	6:40	7:21	6:44	7:54	8:20	7:17
AREA OF BLUE SKY	59%	66%	65%	63%	56%	39%	38%	39%	38%	57%	64%	59%
LOW FOR MONTH	37°	38°	42°	48°	53°	54°	53°	53°	52°	47°	42°	39°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	44°	46°	50°	54°	57°	57°	56°	56°	55°	52°	48°	46°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	71°	74°	79°	83°	85°	81°	77°	78°	76°	76°	74°	70°
HIGH FOR MONTH	76°	79°	84°	86°	89°	86°	82°	82°	80°	81°	78°	75°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	30%	28%	24%	23%	27%	38%	44%	41%	44%	40%	35%	37%
DRY DAYS	90%	93%	94%	88%	79%	60%	53%	56%	62%	81%	92%	92%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	96%	97%	98%	95%	90%	73%	68%	72%	74%	89%	96%	97%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.22	0.85	0.97	0.86	0.83	0.26	0.10	0.09
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	2%	2%	7%	13%	17%	21%	21%	16%	6%	3%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	6%	10%	3%	3%	4%	8%	13%	10%	12%	8%	5%	6%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 64% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 50% in rainy July, to a high of 75% in delightful March and equally delightful November. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 35°, and the highest should be near 90°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 4° cooler than actual ones, due to the relatively low humidities. The year has essentially three seasons, a warm dry season from November through March, a hot dry season from early April through early June, and the rainy season of June through September. The hot season is not really very hot (low humidities, again), and the rainy season is not all that rainy. More than half the days get no rain at all, and those that do get rain usually get a series of brief but intense showers—with dry and often sunny spells in between the showers. Because of the city's elevation, however, the rain is a cold rain, and keeps the afternoon temperatures significantly lower than they might otherwise get.